August 5, 2011

Dear Child Advocates:

The Alabama Department of Child Abuse Prevention is extremely concerned about your agencies and the consumer base you serve. As a result, we will be holding Sustainability Meetings in each of the Congressional Districts to explore funding opportunities and look at the possibility of transitioning consumers to other services.

We do not want to lose contact with any of our partner agencies and want to be able to assist with any needs within our scope of responsibility. The importance of us remaining partners in the fight against child abuse and neglect and maintaining open communication is imperative. We must track the impact on the community due to the loss of funding and services. I would encourage you to invite all judges, law enforcement, legislators and advocates to the meetings. The schedule is as follows:

District 1 - August 22nd 1:00 - 3:00

Goodwill Easter Seals Schillinger Community Center

2423 Schillinger Road South

Mobile, AL 36695

District 2 – August 15th 10:00 – 12:00

Family Guidance Center

2358 Fairlane Dr.

Montgomery, AL 36116

District 3 – August 18th 1:00 – 3:00

Sylacauga Alliance for Family Enhancement

78 Betsy Ross Lane

Sylacauga, AL 35150

District 4 - August 17th 9:00 - 11:00

Alabama Cooperative Extension Services Cullman County

402 Arnold Street NE, Suite G1

Cullman, AL 35055

District 5 - August 16th 1:00 - 3:00

Entrepreneurial Center 1629 4th Avenue SE

Decatur, AL 35601

District 6 - August 17th 1:00 - 3:00

Childcare Resources

1904 First Avenue North Birmingham, AL 35203

District 7 – August 23rd 9:00 – 11:00

Alabama Cooperative Extension Services Tuscaloosa County

2513 7th Street

Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

Thank you again for all you do for the children and families of our state and I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Sincerely,

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